

**PATENT**

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

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TITLE : **APPARATUS AND METHOD FOR  
DESCRIBING, PLANNING, AND  
AUTOMATICALLY PROGRAMMING  
COMPLEX FINISHING TASKS**

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**RESPONSE D**

Dear Sir:

Responsive to the Office Action mailed August 7, 2007, please amend the above-identified application as follows.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 9 of this paper.